

NPDES Permit Numbers ILG551, ILG580 and ILG582
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National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)
Permit Program

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PUBLIC NOTICE/FACT SHEET
of
Reissued General NPDES Permits to Discharge into Waters of the State

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) has made a tentative determination to reissue NPDES general permits to discharge into the waters of the State and has prepared draft permits for the following types of dischargers:

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A General NPDES Permit is a single permit issued to cover discharges from a number of facilities in a specified geographic area which involve the same or substantially similar types of operations. The facilities must discharge the "same type of wastes" which has been interpreted to mean the waste streams need not be identical but must be sufficiently similar that the same permit conditions are appropriate. A determination by the IEPA must be made that the discharge is more appropriately covered under a General Permit than under an individual NPDES Permit.

A General Permit is the equivalent of an individual NPDES Permit in terms of effluent limitations, water quality standards, monitoring and reporting requirements, and enforceability.

An applicant would be required to submit the same application information, using the same required Federal forms as for an individual NPDES Permit or submit a Notice of Intent (NOI). Any owner or operator of these facilities may request to be excluded from the coverage under the General Permit by submitting an application for individual NPDES Permit with reasons supporting the request. IEPA will review the application and make a determination as to whether or not the General Permit is appropriate to regulate the discharge. If the IEPA conclusion is that it would, the discharger will be notified of the decision to include the facility under the General Permit. The IEPA's decision is appealable to the Illinois Pollution Control Board.

The General Permit does not name any Permittees, nor does it authorize any person to discharge. The authorization to discharge under a General Permit is in a separate letter, issued to a specific applicant. The letters are issued at any time while the General Permit is in effect. If the Permittee requests revocation of their individual NPDES Permit, they may be authorized to discharge under a General NPDES Permit at that time.

Facilities that have a lagoon exemption are small facilities utilizing a third-stage treatment lagoon with relatively small discharges. These facilities are employing appropriate technology based on the size of the discharge and affordability. They are significantly isolated and cannot combine with other wastewater treatment facilities to afford mechanical or additional treatment technology. These facilities must show that they cannot utilize land treatment due to: cost, influent characteristic, geographic characteristics, climate, soil conditions, hydrologic conditions, or the availability of irrigable land. Additionally, these facilities must demonstrate that the dissolved oxygen water quality standards will be met in the receiving stream.

Discharges are not automatically covered by these permits unless currently authorized to discharge under General NPDES Permit ILG551, General NPDES Permit ILG580 or General NPDES Permit ILG582. Authorization from IEPA must be obtained to be included for coverage under a General Permit. Applicants possessing a current individual NPDES Permit need not apply for coverage under this General Permit unless they wish to do so. Applicants that are presently authorized to discharge pursuant to an individual permit may be eligible for coverage by this general permit only if they are presently in compliance with their individual permit. In such cases, the current individual NPDES Permit shall be terminated by the IEPA concurrent with the authorization to discharge under the General NPDES Permit.

Coverage under these permits

This Permit covers all areas of the State of Illinois discharging to General Use or Secondary Contact Waters.

Eligibility (ILG551)

This Permit may cover any existing non-publicly owned treatment facilities that consist of a domestic lagoon system with a single pipe discharge, without combined sewer overflows and whose domestic waste load is 2500 population equivalent or less and has obtained a lagoon exemption from the IEPA under the provisions of 35 Ill. Adm. Code Part 373, or whose effluent has a dilution ratio (the ratio of the seven-day once in ten year low flow of the receiving stream or the lowest flow of the receiving stream when effluent discharge is expected to occur, whichever is greater, to the average flow of the treatment works for the design year) no less than five to one, and has obtained a year-round disinfection exemption under 35 Ill. Adm. Code Section 378.203, and currently has an individual NPDES Permit at the same design flow or is currently authorized to discharge under this General NPDES Permit ILG551. Applicants seeking to discharge from a new facility or seeking an increase in permitted loadings or flows to their treatment facility are required to apply for an individual NPDES Permit and are not eligible for authorization to discharge under this General Permit until the new loadings or flows have first been permitted under an individual NPDES Permit. Applicants deemed by the IEPA as needing additional permit requirements, not included in this General NPDES Permit, are required to apply for an individual NPDES Permit and are not eligible for authorization to discharge under this General Permit.

Eligibility (ILG580)

This Permit may cover any existing publicly owned treatment facility that consists of a domestic lagoon system with a single pipe discharge, without combined sewer overflows and whose domestic waste load is 2500 population equivalent or less and has obtained a lagoon exemption from the IEPA under the provisions of 35 Ill. Adm. Code Part 373, or whose effluent has a dilution ratio (the ratio of the seven-day once in ten year low flow of the receiving stream or the lowest flow of the receiving stream when effluent discharge is expected to occur, whichever is greater, to the average flow of the treatment works for the design year) no less than five to one, and has obtained a year-round disinfection exemption under 35 Ill. Adm. Code Section 378.203, and currently has an individual NPDES Permit at the same design flow or is currently authorized to discharge under this General NPDES Permit ILG580. Applicants seeking to discharge from a new facility or seeking an increase in permitted loadings or flows to the their treatment facility are required to apply for an individual NPDES Permit and are not eligible for authorization to discharge under this General Permit until the new loadings or flows have first been permitted under an individual NPDES Permit. Applicants deemed by the IEPA as needing additional permit requirements, not included in this General NPDES Permit, are required to apply for an individual NPDES Permit and are not eligible for authorization to discharge under this General Permit.

Eligibility (ILG582)

This Permit may cover any existing publicly owned treatment facility that consists of a domestic lagoon system with a single pipe discharge, without combined sewer overflows and whose untreated waste load is greater than 2500 population equivalents but not greater than 5000 population equivalents and has obtained a lagoon exemption from the IEPA under the provisions of 35 Ill. Adm. Code Part 373, or whose effluent has a dilution ratio (the ratio of the seven-day once in ten year low flow of the receiving stream or the lowest flow of the receiving stream when effluent discharge is expected to occur, whichever is greater, to the average flow of the treatment works for the design year) no less than five to one, and has obtained a year-round disinfection exemption under 35 Ill. Adm. Code Section 378.203, and currently has an individual NPDES Permit at the same design flow or is currently authorized to discharge under this General NPDES Permit ILG582. Applicants seeking to discharge from a new facility or seeking an increase in permitted loadings or flows to their treatment facility are required to apply for an individual NPDES Permit and are not eligible for authorization to discharge under this General Permit until the new loadings or flows have first been permitted under an individual NPDES Permit. Applicants deemed by the IEPA as needing additional permit requirements, not included in this General NPDES Permit, are required to apply for an individual NPDES Permit and are not eligible for authorization to discharge under this General Permit.

Final Conditions (ILG551, ILG580 and ILG582)

Length of Permit:	5 Years
Classification of Receiving Waters:	General Use and Secondary Contact Waters of Illinois
Discharge No(s):	001
Type of Waste	Domestic

Discharge Number 001:

Case A: The effluent from the facility has a dilution ratio of no less than five to one with the receiving stream.

Parameter	LOAD LIMITS lbs/day* DAF (DMF)			CONCENTRATION LIMITS mg/L			Regulation
	Monthly Average	Weekly Average	Daily Maximum	Monthly Average	Weekly Average	Daily Maximum	
CBOD ₅	**	**		25	40		35 IAC 304.120 40 CFR '133.102
Suspended Solids	**	**		37	45		35 IAC 304.120 40 CFR '133.102
pH	Shall be in the range of 6 to 9 standard units						35 IAC 304.125
Ammonia Nitrogen	Monitor Only						
Fecal Coliform	Monitor Only						35 IAC 309.146

* When flow is greater than DAF, load limits are calculated using the DMF.

**Load Limits are calculated by using the formula: $8.34 \times (\text{Design Average and/or Maximum Flow in MGD}) \times (\text{Applicable Concentration in mg/L})$.

Case B: The effluent from the facility has a dilution ratio less than five to one with the receiving stream or the Agency has designated that

these effluent limitations are applicable due to receiving waters conditions.

Parameter	LOAD LIMITS lbs/day*			CONCENTRATION LIMITS mg/L			Regulation
	Monthly Average	Weekly Average	Daily Maximum	Monthly Average	Weekly Average	Daily Maximum	
CBOD ₅	**	**		25	40		35 IAC 304.120 40 CFR '133.102
Suspended Solids	**	**		37	45		35 IAC 304.120 40 CFR '133.102
pH	Shall be in the range of 6 to 9 standard units						35 IAC 304.125
Dissolved Oxygen	Shall not be less than 6 mg/L						35 IAC 302.206
Ammonia Nitrogen	Monitor Only						
Fecal Coliform	Monitor Only						35 IAC 309.146

* When flow is greater than DAF, load limits are calculated using the DMF.

**Load Limits are calculated by using the formula: $8.34 \times (\text{Design Average and/or Maximum Flow in MGD}) \times (\text{Applicable Concentration in mg/L})$.

This draft permit also contains the following requirements as special conditions:

1. Operation of the facility by or under the supervision of a Certified Class 4 operator.
2. Submission of the operational data in a specified form and at a required frequency at any time during the effective date of this permit. Additional parameter monitoring and reporting may be required by the IEPA in order to receive or maintain coverage by this general permit.
3. Prohibition against causing or contributing to violations of water quality standards.
4. Effluent sampling point location.
5. At minimum 85% removal of CBOD₅ and suspended solids.
6. A requirement to monitor and a limit of 0.05 mg/L for chlorine residual when it is used.
7. Submission of annual fiscal data (not required for NPDES Permit No. ILG551).
8. Incorporates provisions of 40 CFR 122.41 (m) and (n).
9. Recording the monitoring results on Discharge Monitoring Report Forms (DMRs) using one such form for each outfall each month and submitting the forms to IEPA each month or by submitting electronic DMRs.
10. A requirement for a Permittee to apply for either an individual NPDES Permit or an alternative General NPDES Permit upon IEPA request.
11. A requirement to submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) or an Application Form under certain circumstances. The contents of an NOI are also described.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the draft General Permits to the IEPA at the above address. The NPDES permit number(s) must appear on each comment page. Any interested person may submit a written request for a public hearing on a draft permit, stating his or her name and address, the nature of the issues proposed to be raised and the evidence proposed to be presented with regards to those issues.

The Public Notice/Fact Sheet, draft permit, comments received, and other documents are available for inspection and may be copied at the IEPA between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

All comments on the draft permit and requests for hearing must be received by the IEPA by U.S. Mail, carrier mail, or hand delivered during the public notice period. If written comments or requests indicate a significant degree of public interest in the draft permit, the permitting authority may, at its discretion, hold a public hearing. Public notice will be given 45 days before any public hearing. For further information contact Alan Keller at 217/782-0610.

Public Notice/Fact Sheet Issued By:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
Division of Water Pollution Control
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Post Office Box 19276
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NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

Expiration Date:

Issue Date:

Effective Date:

Reissued General (NPDES) Permit For Sewage Treatment Systems

Coverage under this Permit

This Permit covers all areas of the State of Illinois discharging to General Use or Secondary Contact Waters.

Eligibility

This Permit may cover any existing non-publicly owned treatment facilities that consist of a domestic lagoon system with a single pipe discharge, without combined sewer overflows and whose domestic waste load is 2500 population equivalent or less and has obtained a lagoon exemption from the IEPA under the provisions of 35 Ill. Adm. Code Part 373, or whose effluent has a dilution ratio (the ratio of the seven-day once in ten year low flow of the receiving stream or the lowest flow of the receiving stream when effluent discharge is expected to occur, whichever is greater, to the average flow of the treatment works for the design year) no less than five to one, and has obtained a year-round disinfection exemption under 35 Ill. Adm. Code Section 378.203, and currently has an individual NPDES Permit at the same design flow or is currently authorized to discharge under this General NPDES Permit ILG551. Applicants seeking to discharge from a new facility or seeking an increase in permitted loadings or flows to their treatment facility are required to apply for an individual NPDES Permit and are not eligible for authorization to discharge under this General Permit until the new loadings or flows have first been permitted under an individual NPDES Permit. Applicants deemed by the IEPA as needing additional permit requirements, not included in this General NPDES Permit, are required to apply for an individual NPDES Permit and are not eligible for authorization to discharge under this General Permit. Applicants that are presently authorized to discharge pursuant to an individual permit may be eligible for coverage by this general permit only if they are presently in compliance with their individual permit.

Discharge Number and Name: 001 STP Outfall **Receiving Waters:** General Use and Secondary Contact Waters of the State

To receive authorization to discharge under this General Permit, a facility owner or operator must submit the proper application forms to the IEPA. Authorization, if granted, will be by letter and include a copy of this Permit.

Alan Keller, P.E.
Manager, Permit Section
Division of Water Pollution Control

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Effluent Limitations, Monitoring, and Reporting

From the effective date of this Permit until the expiration date, the effluent of the above discharge shall be monitored and limited at all times as follows:

Case A: The effluent from the facility has a dilution ratio of no less than five to one.

Parameter	LOAD LIMITS lbs/day DAF (DMF)*		CONCENTRATION LIMITS MG/L		Sample Frequency See Below	Sample Type
	Monthly Average	Weekly Average	Monthly Average	Weekly Average		
Flow (MGD)						
CBOD₅**	25 x 8.34 x DAF (in MGD)	40 x 8.34 x DAF (in MGD)	25	40	1 per month	Grab
Suspended Solids	37 x 8.34 x DAF (in MGD)	45 x 8.34 x DAF (in MGD)	37	45	1 per month	Grab
pH	Shall be in the Range of 6 to 9 Standard Units				1 per month	Grab
Ammonia Nitrogen	Monitor Only				1 per month	Grab
Fecal Coliform***	Monitor Only				1 per month	Grab

*For flows greater than DAF, load limits shall be calculated based on the DMF instead of DAF. DAF and DMF are shown in the letter authorizing discharge under this General Permit.

**Carbonaceous BOD₅ (CBOD₅) testing procedures shall be in accordance with 40 CFR 136.

***Fecal coliform monitoring shall be conducted May through October with sample results reported as a daily maximum value.

Flows shall be reported as a monthly average and daily maximum on the DMR's. pH shall be reported as a minimum and a maximum.

Influent Monitoring and Reporting

Influent BOD₅ and Suspended Solids shall be sampled at least once per month as a composite sample. Influent and effluent measurement for flow shall be continuous if hardware allows, otherwise it shall be a single reading once a week. Influent flow measurement, BOD₅ and Suspended Solids sampling shall be taken at a point representative of the influent. Influent BOD₅ and Suspended Solids shall be reported on the Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMR's) as monthly average concentrations.

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Case B: The facility has obtained a lagoon exemption pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code Part 373 or the Agency has designated that these effluent limitations are applicable due to receiving waters conditions.

Parameter	LOAD LIMITS lbs/day		CONCENTRATION		Sample Frequency	Sample Type
	Monthly Average	Weekly Average	Monthly Average	Weekly Average		
Flow (MGD)					See Below	
CBOD ₅ **	25 x 8.34 x DAF (in MGD)	40 x 8.34 x DAF (in MGD)	25	40	1 per month	Grab
Suspended Solids	37 x 8.34 x DAF (in MGD)	45 x 8.34 x DAF (in MGD)	37	45	1 per month	Grab
pH	Shall be in the Range of 6 to 9 Standard Units				1 per month	Grab
Dissolved Oxygen	Shall not be less than 6 mg/L				1 per month	Grab
Ammonia Nitrogen	Monitor Only				1 per month	Grab
Fecal Coliform***	Monitor Only				1 per month	Grab

*For flows greater than DAF, load limits shall be calculated based on the DMF instead of DAF. DAF and DMF are shown in the letter authorizing discharge under this General Permit.

**Carbonaceous BOD₅ (CBOD₅) testing procedures shall be in accordance with 40 CFR 136.

***Fecal coliform monitoring shall be conducted May through October with sample results reported as a daily maximum value. Flows shall be reported as a monthly average and daily maximum on the DMR's. pH shall be reported as a minimum and a maximum.

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Special Conditions

SPECIAL CONDITION 1: The use or operation of this facility shall be by or under the supervision of a Certified Class 4 operator.

SPECIAL CONDITION 2: The IEPA may request in writing submittal of operational information in a specified form and at a required frequency at any time during the effective period of this Permit. The IEPA may require additional monitoring and reporting by the permittee in either the general permit coverage letter or by separate letter.

SPECIAL CONDITION 3: The effluent, alone or in combination with other sources, shall not cause a violation of any applicable water quality standard outlined in 35 Ill. Adm. Code Part 302.

SPECIAL CONDITION 4: Samples taken in compliance with the effluent monitoring requirements shall be taken at a point representative of the discharge, but prior to entry into the receiving stream.

SPECIAL CONDITION 5: BOD₅ (85% removal required): The arithmetic mean of the values for effluent samples collected in a period of one calendar month shall not exceed 15 percent of the arithmetic mean of the values for influent samples collected at approximately the same time during the same period, except during those periods when the influent is diluted because of high flows if the tributary sewer system is combined. The percent removal need not be reported to the IEPA on DMR's but influent and effluent data must be available, as required elsewhere in this Permit, for IEPA inspection and review. For measuring compliance with this requirement, 5 mg/L shall be added to the effluent CBOD₅ concentration to determine the effluent BOD₅ concentration.

SPECIAL CONDITION 6: For Discharge No. 001, any use of chlorine to control slime growths, odors or as an operational control, etc. shall not exceed the limit of 0.05 mg/L (daily maximum) total residual chlorine in the effluent. Sampling is required on a daily grab basis during the chlorination process. Reporting shall be submitted on the (DMR's) on a monthly basis.

SPECIAL CONDITION 7: The Permittee shall record monitoring results on Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) Forms using one such form for each outfall each month.

In the event that an outfall does not discharge during a monthly reporting period, the DMR Form shall be submitted with no discharge indicated.

The Permittee may choose to submit electronic DMRs (eDMRs) instead of mailing paper DMRs to the IEPA. More information, including registration information for the eDMR program, can be obtained on the IEPA website, <http://www.epa.state.il.us/water/edmr/index.html>.

The completed Discharge Monitoring Report forms shall be submitted to IEPA no later than the 25th day of the following month, unless otherwise specified by the permitting authority.

Permittees not using eDMRs shall mail Discharge Monitoring Reports with an original signature to the IEPA at the following address:

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
Division of Water Pollution Control
1021 North Grand Avenue East
Post Office Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

Attention: Compliance Assurance Section, Mail Code # 19

SPECIAL CONDITION 8: The provisions of 40 CFR 122.41 (m) and (n) are applicable and are hereby incorporated by reference.

SPECIAL CONDITION 9: Requiring an individual NPDES Permit or an alternative General Permit

a. The IEPA may require any person authorized by this Permit to apply for and obtain either an individual NPDES Permit or an alternative NPDES General Permit. Any interested person may petition the IEPA to take action under this paragraph. The IEPA may require any owner or operator authorized to discharge under this Permit to apply for an individual NPDES Permit only if the owner or operator has been notified in writing that a permit application is required. This notice shall include a brief statement of the reasons for this decision, an application form, a statement setting a deadline for the owner or operator to file the application, and a statement that on the effective date of the individual NPDES Permit or the alternative General Permit as it applies to the individual Permittee, coverage under this General Permit shall automatically terminate. The IEPA may grant additional time to submit the application upon request of the applicant. If an owner or operator fails to submit an individual NPDES Permit application required by the IEPA under this paragraph in a timely manner, then the authorization to discharge under this General Permit is automatically terminated at the end of the day specified for application submittal. In addition, the Agency may require an individual NPDES permit based on:

1. Information received which indicates the receiving water may be of particular biological significance pursuant to 35 Ill. Admin. Code Section 302.105 (d) (6).

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2. Whether the receiving waters are identified as impaired pursuant to the Agency's 303(d) listing and the facility discharge is a potential contributing source of any parameter identified as a cause of that impairment
 3. Additional effluent limitations or conditions are required for the permittees discharge.
- b. Any owner or operator authorized to discharge under this General Permit may request to be excluded from the coverage of this General Permit by applying for an individual NPDES Permit. The owner or operator shall submit an individual application with reasons supporting the request, in accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR 122.21, to the IEPA. If the reasons cited by the owner or operator are adequate to support the request, the request shall be granted by issuance of any individual NPDES Permit or an alternative General Permit.
- c. When an individual NPDES Permit is issued to an owner or operator otherwise subject to this Permit, or the owner or operator is approved for coverage under an alternative NPDES General Permit, the authorization to discharge under this General Permit is automatically terminated on the issue date of the individual NPDES Permit or the date of approval for coverage under the alternative General Permit, whichever the case may be. When an individual NPDES Permit is denied to an owner or operator otherwise subject to this Permit, or the owner or operator is denied for coverage under an alternative NPDES General Permit, the authorization to discharge under this General Permit remains in effect, unless otherwise specified by the IEPA.

SPECIAL CONDITION 10:

- a) Authorization: Owners or operators must submit either a Notice of Intent (NOI) in accordance with the requirements of this Permit or an application for an individual NPDES Permit to be authorized to discharge under this General Permit. Authorization, if granted, will be by letter and include a copy of this Permit. Upon review of an NOI, the IEPA may deny coverage under this Permit and require submittal of an application for an individual NPDES Permit.

- b) Automatic Continuation of Expired General Permit:

Except as provided in subparagraph (c) below, when this General Permit expires, the conditions of this permit shall be automatically administratively continued until the earliest of the following:

- 1) 150 days after the new General Permit is issued;
- 2) The Permittee submits a Notice of Termination and that notice is approved by the IEPA.
- 3) The Permittee is authorized for coverage under an individual permit or the renewed or reissued General Permit
- 4) The Permittee's application for an individual NPDES permit for a discharge or Notice of Intent for coverage under the renewed or reissued General Permit, is denied by the IEPA.
- 5) IEPA issues a formal permit decision not to renew or reissue this General Permit. This General Permit shall be automatically administratively continued after such formal permit decision.

- c) Duty to reapply

- 1) If the permittee wishes to continue an activity regulated by this General Permit, the permittee must apply for a new permit coverage before the expiration of the administratively continued period specified in subparagraph (b)(1) above.
- 2) If the permittee reapplies in accordance with the provisions of subparagraph (c)(1) above, the conditions of this General Permit shall continue in full force and effect under the provisions of 5 ILCS 100/10-65 until the IEPA makes a final determination on the application or Notice of Intent.
- 3) Standard Condition 2 of Attachment H is not applicable to this general permit.

- d) Contents of Notice of Intent: The Notice of Intent shall be submitted to IEPA on proper application forms and include at a minimum the following information:

1. Name, mailing address, and location of the facility for which the notification is submitted;
2. The operator's name, address, telephone number, ownership status and status as Federal, State, private, public or other entity;
3. An application form for an individual NPDES Permit may be used in place of the NOI.

- e) Change in Contact Person, Ownership or Operators: In the event that the contact person for this facility is changed or in the event of

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a change in ownership or operator for a facility authorized to discharge under this Permit, an updated NOI shall be filed with the IEPA within thirty (30) days of such change. Upon review of an NOI, the IEPA may deny coverage under this Permit or require any person otherwise authorized to discharge under this Permit to apply for and obtain either an individual NPDES Permit or to obtain authorization to discharge under an alternative General NPDES Permit.

- f) Treatment Plant Changes: In the event that a change is made that results in a modification of treatment plant design loadings or flows or the abandoning or undertaking of new unit processes, an application for an individual NPDES permit along with the proposed treatment plant modifications, shall be submitted to the IEPA. The application and the proposed treatment plant modifications shall be submitted to the IEPA within the time frame specified by 35 Ill. Adm. Code Section 309.154. If no permit is required pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code Section 309.154, the application and the proposed treatment plant modifications shall be submitted to the IEPA as soon as is practicable. Upon review of an application, the IEPA may deny coverage under this General Permit and initiate procedures for the issuance of an individual NPDES permit, or may make a determination that coverage under this General NPDES permit is still appropriate. In cases where the design flow increases or an anti-degradation analysis is required pursuant to 35 Ill. Adm. Code Section 302.105, the IEPA will proceed with the issuance of an individual NPDES permit and the authorization to discharge under this General NPDES permit will terminate upon the effective date of the individual NPDES permit.

